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SUBJ: US-ROK BILATERAL FISHERY DISCUSSIONS

- 1. SCIENTIFIC GROUP COMPLETED DISCUSSIONS NOVEMBER 12 AT NOON
- 2. IN AFTERNOON DELS DISCUSSED ENFORCEMENT PROBLEMS, POSSIBLE VIOLATIONS OF THE EXISTING AGREEMENT, AND GEAR CONFLICTS.
- 3. UNDER ENFORCEMENT PROBLEMS US DEL MENTIONED INCIDENT OF KYUNG JUN REFUSAL TO PERMIT BOARDING BY USCG. ROK DEL REQUESTED THAT IN FUTURE ROKG SHOULD BE NOTIFIED IMMEDIATELY OF PROBLEM SO THAT APPROPRIATE ACTION CAN BE TAKEN. US DEL REQUESTED INFORMATION ON VESSELS LICENSED TO FISH OFF US COAST INCLUDING NAME, HOME PORT, REGISTRY NUMBER, GROSS TONS AND TYPE OF FISHING. US DEL FURTHER REQUESTED, IF AVAILABLE, INFORMATION ON AREAS VESSELS LICENSED TO OPERATE AND TARGET SPECIES. ROK DEL INDICATED INFORMATION WOULD BE MADE AVAILABLE BY JANUARY 1, 1976.
- 4. UNDER DISCUSSION POSSIBLE VIOLATIONS OF AGREEMENT US DEL POINTED OUT CASE OF KWANG MYONG 96 WHICH WAS FOUND TO HAVE 4 HALIBUT ON BOARD WHEN BOARDED SEPT. 23, 1975 OFF YAQUINA HEAD, WASHINGTON. ROK DEL EXPRESSED SURPRISE AT THIS INCIDENT AND REQUESTED THAT IN THE FUTURE IMMEDIATE NOTIFICATION BE GIVEN ROKG AND AN EXAMPLE WOULD BE MADE OF THE OFFENDER. UNCLASSIFIED

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5. UNDER DISCUSSION OF GEAR CONFLICTS THREE CONFLICTS NOW UNDER INVESTIGATION WERE CALLED TO THE ATTENTION OF THE ROK DEL. IN REPLY ROK DEL EXPRESSED REGRET OVER INCIDENTS AS WELL AS ALLEGED REMOVAL OF BLACK COD FROM POTS BY ROK FISHERMEN. ROK DEL REQUESTED INFORMATION ON LOCATION OF FIXED GEAR FISHING AREAS AND GEAR MARKINGS USED BY AMERICAN FISHERMEN. US DEL AGREED TO SUPPLY AVAILABLE INFORMATION BY JANUARY 1, 1976.

DISCUSSIONS CONTINUE IN FRIENDLY AND CORDIAL ATMOSPHERE. SNEIDER

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